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Derry Makes Appointment to Animal Commission

SAN BERNARDINO, CA – Supervisor Neil Derry announced the appointment of Michelle Guthmiller to the Animal Services Commission today. Guthmiller, a resident of San Bernardino, was confirmed by the Board of Supervisors and becomes the inaugural appointment to the oversight body proposed by Supervisor Derry.

“Michelle’s passion for animals is evidenced by her extensive involvement with local organizations and complimented by her pragmatic understanding that we must balance the needs of animals with the limited resources available,” Derry said.

Guthmiller actively volunteers at the San Bernardino City Animal Shelter and maintains a leadership role with H.E.A.L. (Helping Every Animal League). Additionally, she previously worked with the Search and Rescue team at the San Bernardino Sheriff’s Department.

“I am excited about this opportunity to serve the people of San Bernardino County and support the shelter staff tasked with caring for our abandoned animals,” said Michelle Guthmiller. “I am confident that we can all work together to decrease the euthanasia rates of our animals and alleviate the financial strain placed on taxpayers.”

The commission will commence oversight functions once each member of the board also appoints a member to the body. Although a specific date for the first meeting has not been determined, it is expected to occur before the end of the year, Derry said.